

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia (Ms. NORTON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 417, nays 0, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 574]

YEAS—417

Ackerman	Conyers	Herseth Sandlin
Aderholt	Cooper	Higgins
Adler (NJ)	Costa	Hill
Akin	Costello	Himes
Alexander	Courtney	Hinchee
Altmire	Crenshaw	Hinojosa
Andrews	Critz	Hirono
Arcuri	Crowley	Hodes
Austria	Cuellar	Hoekstra
Baca	Culberson	Holden
Bachmann	Cummings	Holt
Bachus	Dahlkemper	Honda
Baird	Davis (CA)	Hoyer
Baldwin	Davis (IL)	Hunter
Barrett (SC)	Davis (KY)	Inglis
Barrow	Davis (TN)	Inslee
Bartlett	DeFazio	Israel
Barton (TX)	DeGette	Issa
Bean	Delahunt	Jackson (IL)
Becerra	DeLauro	Jackson Lee
Berkley	Dent	(TX)
Berman	Deutch	Jenkins
Berry	Diaz-Balart, L.	Johnson (GA)
Biggert	Diaz-Balart, M.	Johnson (IL)
Billray	Dicks	Johnson, E. B.
Bilirakis	Dingell	Johnson, Sam
Bishop (GA)	Djou	Jones
Bishop (NY)	Doggett	Jordan (OH)
Bishop (UT)	Donnelly (IN)	Kagen
Blackburn	Doyle	Kanjorski
Blumenauer	Dreier	Kaptur
Boccieri	Driebeaus	Kildee
Boehner	Duncan	Kilpatrick (MI)
Bonner	Edwards (MD)	Kilroy
Bono Mack	Edwards (TX)	Kind
Boren	Ehlers	King (IA)
Boswell	Ellison	King (NY)
Boucher	Ellsworth	Kingston
Boustany	Emerson	Kirkpatrick (AZ)
Boyd	Engel	Kissell
Brady (PA)	Eshoo	Kline (MN)
Brady (TX)	Etheridge	Kosmas
Braley (IA)	Farr	Kratovil
Bright	Fattah	Kucinich
Broun (GA)	Filner	Lamborn
Brown (SC)	Flake	Lance
Brown, Corrine	Fleming	Langevin
Brown-Waite,	Forbes	Larsen (WA)
Ginny	Fortenberry	Larsen (CT)
Buchanan	Foster	Latham
Burgess	Fox	LaTourrette
Burton (IN)	Frank (MA)	Latta
Butterfield	Franks (AZ)	Lee (CA)
Buyer	Frelinghuysen	Lee (NY)
Calvert	Fudge	Levin
Camp	Garamendi	Lewis (CA)
Campbell	Garrett (NJ)	Lewis (GA)
Cantor	Gerlach	Linder
Cao	Giffords	Lipinski
Capito	Gingrey (GA)	LoBiondo
Capps	Gohmert	Loebsack
Capuano	Gonzalez	Lofgren, Zoe
Cardoza	Goodlatte	Lowe
Carnahan	Granger	Lucas
Carney	Graves (GA)	Luetkemeyer
Carson (IN)	Graves (MO)	Lujan
Carter	Grayson	Lummis
Cassidy	Green, Al	Lungren, Daniel
Castle	Green, Gene	E.
Castor (FL)	Griffith	Lynch
Chaffetz	Grijalva	Mack
Chandler	Guthrie	Maffei
Childers	Gutierrez	Maloney
Chu	Hall (NY)	Manzullo
Clarke	Hall (TX)	Marchant
Clay	Hare	Markey (CO)
Cleaver	Harman	Markey (MA)
Clyburn	Harper	Marshall
Coble	Hastings (FL)	Matheson
Coffman (CO)	Hastings (WA)	Matsui
Cohen	Heinrich	McCarthy (CA)
Cole	Heller	McCarthy (NY)
Conaway	Hensarling	McCaul
Connolly (VA)	Herger	McClintock

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 417, nays 3, not voting 13, as follows:

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Cole	Hensarling	McCaul
Conaway	Herger	McClintock
Connolly (VA)	Herseth Sandlin	McCollum
Conyers	Higgins	McCotter

NOT VOTING—16

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1738

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### CONGRATULATING COACH JOE PATERNO

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1715) congratulating Joe Paterno on his 400th win as Penn State Nittany Lions football head coach, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

McDermott	Poe (TX)	Sires
McGovern	Polis (CO)	Skeltton
McHenry	Pomeroy	Smith (NE)
McIntyre	Posey	Smith (NJ)
McKeon	Price (GA)	Smith (TX)
McMahon	Price (NC)	Smith (WA)
McMorris	Putnam	Snyder
Rodgers	Quigley	Space
McNerney	Rahall	Speier
Meek (FL)	Rangel	Spratt
Meeks (NY)	Rehberg	Stark
Melancon	Reichert	Stearns
Mica	Reyes	Stupak
Michaud	Richardson	Stutzman
Miller (FL)	Rodriguez	Sullivan
Miller (MI)	Roe (TN)	Sutton
Miller (NC)	Rogers (AL)	Taylor
Miller, Gary	Rogers (KY)	Teague
Miller, George	Rogers (MI)	Terry
Minnick	Rohrabacher	Thompson (CA)
Mitchell	Rooney	Thompson (MS)
Mollohan	Ros-Lehtinen	Thompson (PA)
Moore (KS)	Roskam	Thornberry
Moore (WI)	Ross	Tiahrt
Moran (KS)	Rothman (NJ)	Tiberi
Moran (VA)	Roybal-Allard	Tierney
Murphy (CT)	Royce	Titus
Murphy (NY)	Ruppersberger	Tonko
Murphy, Patrick	Rush	Towns
Murphy, Tim	Ryan (OH)	Tsongas
Myrick	Ryan (WI)	Turner
Nadler (NY)	Salazar	Upton
Napolitano	Sánchez, Linda	Van Hollen
Neal (MA)	T.	Velázquez
Neugebauer	Sanchez, Loretta	Visclosky
Nunes	Sarbanes	Walden
Nye	Scalise	Walz
Oberstar	Schakowsky	Wamp
Obey	Schauer	Wasserman
Olson	Schiff	Schultz
Olver	Schmidt	Waters
Ortiz	Schock	Watson
Owens	Schrader	Watt
Pallone	Schwartz	Waxman
Pascarella	Scott (GA)	Weiner
Pastor (AZ)	Scott (VA)	Welch
Paul	Sensenbrenner	Westmoreland
Paulsen	Serrano	Whitfield
Payne	Sessions	Wilson (OH)
Pence	Sestak	Wilson (SC)
Perlmutter	Shadegg	Wittman
Perriello	Shea-Porter	Wolf
Peters	Sherman	Woolsey
Peterson	Shimkus	Wu
Petri	Shuler	Yarmuth
Pitts	Shuster	Young (AK)
Platts	Simpson	Young (FL)

## NAYS—3

Chaffetz	DeFazio	Slaughter
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## NOT VOTING—13

Blunt	Gordon (TN)	Pingree (ME)
Boozman	Halvorson	Radanovich
Davis (AL)	Kennedy	Tanner
Fallin	Kirk	
Galleghy	Klein (FL)	

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1745

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later.

## CONDEMNING BURMESE REGIME'S UNDEMOCRATIC ELECTIONS

Ms. WATSON. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution (H. Res. 1677) condemning the Burmese regime's undemocratic upcoming elections on November 7, 2010, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

## H. RES. 1677

Whereas the current military regime, officially known as the State Peace and Development Council (SPDC), known previously as the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), held multi-party elections in 1990;

Whereas despite the threat and pressure by the military regime to vote for the candidates of the military-backed National Unity Party (NUP), the people of Burma voted 82 percent of parliament seats for the candidates of the National League for Democracy (NLD) party, led by formerly detained leader Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and allied ethnic political parties;

Whereas the military regime refused to honor the election results and arrested and imprisoned both democracy activists and elected members of parliament;

Whereas the SPDC over a period of 14 years held a National Convention to draft a new constitution in which the process was tightly controlled, repressive, and undemocratic;

Whereas the NLD walked out of the convention in 1995 because participants were not allowed to table alternative proposals or voice disagreement with the military regime;

Whereas the people of Burma, led by democracy activists and Buddhist monks in August and September 2007, took to the streets for national reconciliation and the transition to democracy;

Whereas the military regime brutally crushed the peaceful protests, killing at least 31 people, leaving nearly 100 missing, and arresting 700 additional political prisoners bringing the number of Burma's political prisoners to approximately 2,100;

Whereas the SPDC has ignored the repeated requests of the United Nations and the international community to release all political prisoners and end attacks against civilians;

Whereas at the same time, the SPDC assigned a commission to draft a constitution on October 18, 2007, with 54 handpicked participants, in an attempt to ignore past election results, to lock in a process that excludes representatives of ethnic nationalities and the NLD from political participation, and to legitimize continued military rule;

Whereas the latest version of the draft constitution seeks to codify military rule by reserving 25 percent of parliamentary seats for military appointees, permits the head of the military to intervene in national politics, and ensures that key government ministries are held by military officers;

Whereas amidst the crisis in parts of the country caused by Cyclone Nargis, the country's military junta staged a referendum to force through a new constitution, drafted without input from the opposition;

Whereas the vote for the referendum did not follow a free and fair democratic process;

Whereas conditions prior to the referendum consisted of repression, a lack of a

free media, and a lack of an independent referendum commission and courts to supervise the vote;

Whereas the amnesty provision of the constitution removes any rights for civil redress for victims of crimes committed by the military and leaders of the democratic opposition have refused to accept this constitution;

Whereas the amnesty provision is a blatant attempt to legitimize the systematic violence in the country for all junta inflicted crimes;

Whereas the ruling military junta in Burma has one of the worst human rights records in the world and routinely violates the rights of Burmese citizens, including the systematic use of rape as a weapon of war, extrajudicial killings, arbitrary arrests and detention, torture, as well as slave and child labor, including child soldiers;

Whereas the previous detention of Aung San Suu Kyi by the Burmese military regime contravenes Article 9 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and has drawn widespread condemnation from around the world;

Whereas in March 2010, the military regime announced laws governing the elections, including the Union Election Commission Law, giving their handpicked members complete authority to convene the election, along with final decisionmaking power, regarding election postponement, rejection, monitoring, forming sub-commissions, formation of constituencies, compiling list of eligible voters, and forming of tribunals to judge election dispute;

Whereas articles 4 and 10 of the Political Parties Registration Law bans all monks, nuns, and leaders of other religions, government staff, political prisoners and prisoners, foreigners, and members of and those related to unlawful associations and insurgent groups from forming and participating in a political party, further stating that failure to expel such individuals from your political party will result in abolishment of the political party;

Whereas article 6 of the Political Parties Registration Law states that all political parties must pledge to abide and protect the military regime's undemocratic and fraudulent 2008 constitution;

Whereas the NLD refused to re-register under such unjust election laws that would have forced them to expel their leader Aung San Suu Kyi and pledge support for the regime's undemocratic constitution;

Whereas the military regime's election commission released severely restrictive political party campaign rules banning all marches, chanting, and flags and also prohibits any speeches or publications that criticize the military regime;

Whereas the election commission can de-register any political party at their discretion;

Whereas it is impossible under the regime's 2008 constitution and 2010 election laws for the election to be free, fair, inclusive, or democratic; and

Whereas the November 7 election was marked by widespread fraud, voter intimidation, cheating, and irregularities reported throughout the country: Now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

(1) denounces the one-sided, undemocratic, and illegitimate actions of the State Peace and Development Council (SPDC) that seek to legitimize military rule through a flawed election process;

(2) denounces the military regime's dissolution of the National League for Democracy and insists that no government in Burma can be considered democratic or legitimate without the participation of Aung